



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

Indian Health Service
Rockville MD 20857

TO: The Record
.
Health Facilities Advisory Committee (HFAC)
Members

FROM: Recording HFAC Secretary

SUBJECT: March 6, 1996, Meeting

Members and Attendance:

CAPT Gary Radtke, Chairman, IHS HQ/DFPC**
CAPT Kenneth Harper, Vice-Chairman, ES-Seattle*
RADM Thomas Gallegos, Member, ES-Dallas*
CAPT Jay Farmwald, Member, IHS/Alaska Area**
CAPT Dennis Taylor, Member, IHS/Albuquerque Area
Office*
CAPT Gary McFarland, Member, IHS/Billings Area
Office*
CAPT George Byrns, Member, IHS HQ/DEH*
CAPT Kerry Gragg, Member, IHS/California Area Office**
Mr. William Johnson, Member, IHS HQ/DFM*
Mr. Henry Cruz, Recording Secretary, IHS HQ/DFPC

(* - voting members present)
(**- voting members not present due to previous
commitment)

Introductions:

Meeting via conference call started 12:00 Noon. Total
present: 7 with 6 voting members. Minutes of the
February 14, 1996, meeting were approved as corrected.

Items discussed:

I. Old Business:

P-4, Project Final Reports - CAPT Harper asked for a motion to approve the project final reports. A motion was made by Mr. Johnson and seconded by RADM Gallegos, and voted in favor by the six members present. A decision notice will be prepared and a signed copy together with the formatted chapter will be mailed at a later date. This chapter will be submitted for approval by the Office of Environmental Health and Engineering (OEHE), Acting Associate Director.

P-20, Nitrous Oxide, Portable vs Fixed Piping - CAPT McFarland briefly discussed this proposal and discussion followed. CAPT Bryns explained the standards used by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) and the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH). CAPT Bryns indicated that the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) recommendations should be replaced by the standards used by the ACGIH. A motion was made by CAPT Bryns and seconded by Mr. Johnson to make the necessary corrections for a final vote at the next meeting in April.

P-36, Energy Savings Performance Contracting - Mr. Johnson briefly discussed this proposal and indicated that IHS should not adopt the energy savings performance contracting. CAPT McFarland cited their experience in Billings Area. CAPT Taylor suggested that guidelines should be developed citing the pros and cons of this proposal. A motion was made by RADM Gallegos and seconded by CAPT Taylor to develop guidelines. RADM Gallegos amended his motion that IHS HQE will prepare the guidelines, and this was seconded by CAPT McFarland.

P-38, Interim Life Safety Measures - Mr. Johnson requested deferring this issue to April meeting.

P-39, Upgrading Government Buildings Security - Discussion was deferred until April.

II. New Business:

- (1) Mammagraphy Construction and/or Renovation - CAPT Byrns indicated that Office of Health Programs (OHP) will be limiting the locations for any mammography construction and/or renovation.
- (2) Tribal Representation - CAPT Harper questioned whether indicated if HFAC should pursue this issue. Mr. Johnson will talk to CAPT Radtke and any discussions will be reported in April.
- (3) Election of the HFAC Chairman and Vice-Chairman - CAPT Harper indicated that HFAC will discuss this issue in April. The terms of the two offices expire on July 1996. Candidates for these offices will be voted upon in June 1996.

III. Other Issues:

- (1) None

IV. Next Meeting:

April 3 1996, 12:00 noon, Eastern Standard Time (EST).

V. Meeting was closed at 12:45 PM EST.

Respectfully Submitted,


Henry D. Cruz

Attachments

cc:

ES-Dallas

ES-Seattle

DFPC/PDB

DEH

DFM

Area Offices (Alaska, Albuquerque, Billings, & California)